



AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Report Title	Internal audit annual report
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AGENDA STATUS: PUBLIC

Audit Committee Meeting Date:	2 June 2009
Policy Document:	NO
Directorate:	Governance and Improvement
Accountable Cabinet Member:	Malcolm Mildren

1. Purpose

1.1 To present our annual internal audit report summarising the findings of our audit work for 2008/09 and providing our annual assurance opinion.

2. Recommendations

2.1 To review and note the report.

3. Issues and Choices

3.1 Report Background

3.1.1 The Government Internal Audit Standards ("GIAS") and the Code of Practice for Internal Audit in Local Government in the UK 2006 require the Head of Internal Audit to provide a written report to those charged with governance timed to inform the organisation's Annual Governance Statement. As such, the purpose of this report is to present our annual opinion of the adequacy and effectiveness of the Council's system of internal control. This report is based upon the work agreed in the annual internal audit plan and conducted during the year.

3.2 Issues

3.2.1 As noted in the report.

3.3 Choices (Options)

3.3.1 N/a

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 'Significant Internal Control Issues' should be considered for inclusion in the Annual Governance Statement.

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 As identified in the annual report.

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 N/a

4.4 Equality

4.4.1 N/a

4.5 Consultees (Internal and External)

4.5.1 Director of Finance and Head of Finance and Assets

4.6 Other Implications

4.6.1 N/a

5. Background Papers

5.1 N/a

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